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In re application of

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Application No. **NEW NATIONAL PHASE**

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POWDERED MATERIAL, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING IT, RAW COMPACT OF THE  
POWDERED MATERIAL AND DEVICE FOR THE POWDERED MATERIAL

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.